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In re Application of:

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Examiner: R. Schwartzman

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**REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND TO
OFFICE ACTION DATED JULY 8, 1997**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a), Applicants petition for an extension of time of three months to and including January 8, 1998 in which to respond to the Office Action dated July 8, 1997.

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.17, a check in the amount of \$475.00 is enclosed, which is the process fee for a three month extension of time.

If the check is inadvertently omitted, or should any additional fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16 to 1.21 be required for any reason relating to the enclosed materials, or should an overpayment be included herein, the Assistant Commissioner is authorized to deduct or credit said fees from or to Arnold, White & Durkee Deposit Account No. 01-2508/UTXC:504.

Respectfully submitted,



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